

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

December 10, 2001
Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
Renton City Hall

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

DAN CLAWSON, Council President; TONI NELSON; RANDY CORMAN; DON PERSSON; KING PARKER; TERRI BRIERE; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City Clerk; JIM SHEPHERD, Community Services Administrator; NEIL WATTS, Development Services Director; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; COMMANDER ROBERT SEELYE, Police Department.

Advancement to Administrative
Report

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL SUSPEND THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS AND PROCEED WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT. CARRIED.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORT**

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2001 and beyond. Items noted included:

- ✱ A free copy of the 2002 Renton Community Calendar will be distributed to Renton residents as an insert in the December 12th edition of the *Renton Reporter*. After December 12th, copies of the calendar will be available at the City Hall lobby, Community Center, Senior Center, Renton Libraries and Maplewood Golf Course.
- ✱ A time capsule, which contains items that represent life in Renton in 2001, will be officially sealed at the Council meeting on Monday, December 17th at 7:30 p.m. The time capsule will be unearthed during the City's bicentennial in 2101.
- ✱ Over 120 athletes, parents, coaches and volunteers attended the Special Population Program Fall Sports Awards Banquet last Thursday at the Senior Center.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Council Minutes of December
3, 2001

Approval of Council minutes of December 3, 2001. Council concur.

Appeal: Clover Creek II,
Labrador Ventures (PP-01-
034)

City Clerk reported appeal of Hearing Examiner's decision on the Clover Creek II rezone and preliminary plat request for property located at Park Ave. N. and N. 27th Pl. (PP-01-034); appeal filed by Labrador Ventures, LLC, accompanied by required fee. Refer to Planning & Development Committee

Appeal: St. Claire, Karen
Dobson (PP-01-055)

City Clerk reported appeal of Hearing Examiner's decision on the St. Claire rezone and preliminary plat request for property located in the vicinity of Lincoln Ave. NE and Aberdeen Ave. NE (PP-01-055); appeal filed by Karen Dobson, accompanied by required fee. Refer to Planning & Development Committee

CAG: 01-178, Surge

City Clerk reported bid opening on 11/27/2001 for CAG-01-178, Surge

Suppression/Main Electrical Service, JR Electric	Suppression, Main Electrical Service at City Hall; six bids; project estimate \$50,000; and submitted staff recommendation to award the contract to the low bidder J.R. Electric, in the amount of \$46,390. Council concur.
Vacation: SE 2nd Pl between Lyons Ave SE & Nile Ave SE, Harbour Homes (VAC-01-001)	City Clerk reported receipt of \$50,000 compensation paid by petitioner (the full market value of the property as appraised), as set by Council on 9/10/2001, and recommended adoption of an ordinance to finalize the Harbour Homes street vacation for portions of SE 2nd Pl. and Nile Ave. SE; VAC-01-001. Council concur. (See page 443 for ordinance.)
Community Services: Fire Station #12 Design Contract, Rice Fergus Architects	Community Services Department recommended approval of an agreement in the amount of \$426,000 with Rice Fergus Architects to design Fire Station #12 to be located at 1209 Kirkland Ave. NE. Refer to <u>Finance Committee</u> .
Plat: Caledon, Union Ave NE & NE 28th Ct (FP-01-126)	Development Services Division recommended approval, with conditions, of the Caledon final plat; 21 single-family lots on 3.81 acres located at Union Ave. NE and NE 28th Ct. (FP-01-126). Council concur. (See page 443 for resolution.)
Development Services: Binding Site Plan Process, City Code Change	Development Services Division recommended approval of City Code changes establishing a binding site plan process and outlining the requirements for using a binding site plan. Refer to <u>Planning & Development Committee</u> ; set a public hearing on 1/14/2002 to consider the matter.
Development Services: Morgan Court Short Plat, ROW Dedication on NE 4th St/Nile Ave NE (SHP-01-018)	Development Services Division recommended Council acceptance of a deed of dedication for additional right-of-way at the southwest corner of NE 4th St. and Nile Ave. NE for public road use to fulfill a requirement of the Morgan Court short plat (SHP-01-018). Council concur.
Development Services: Morgan Court II Short Plat, ROW Dedication on NE 4th Pl (SHP-01-078)	Development Services Division recommended Council acceptance of a deed of dedication for additional right-of-way for a seven-foot wide portion of NE 4th Pl. for public road use to fulfill a requirement of the Morgan Court II short plat (SHP-01-078). Council concur.
Special Assessment District: Interest Rate Calculation for Time Payments Amendment	Finance & Information Services Department requested approval to amend Ordinance 4293 in order to change the method used to calculate the interest rate on time payments for special assessment district fees. Refer to <u>Finance Committee</u> .
Utility: Sewer Rate, Pass-through Metro Increase	Planning/Building/Public Works Department reported an increase in the King County Metro sewer rate from \$19.75 to \$23.40 per residential customer per month, and requested approval of an ordinance authorizing a pass-through increase. Council concur. (See page 444 for ordinance.)
Police: Jail Inmates Health Services Contract, Public Hospital District No 1	Police Department recommended approval of a contract with Public Hospital District No. 1 of King County for occupational health services for Renton jail inmates from 4/01/2001 to 12/31/2002. Council concur.
Utility: Maplewood Water Treatment Facility Shut Down	Utility Systems Division requested approval to shut down the Maplewood water treatment facility and to put the station on a stand-by basis until additional water treatment facilities can be constructed to improve the water quality of the Maplewood wells. Refer to <u>Utilities Committee</u> .
Franchise: Water District 90	Utility Systems Division recommended approval of a franchise agreement with Water District 90 for the installation, maintenance and repair of the District's water lines within the City streets. Refer to <u>Utilities Committee</u> .
Community Services: Lighting Retrofit Contracts for Senior	Community Services Department recommended approval of contracts with Christenson Electric, Inc. and VECA Electric, Inc. to install energy efficient

Center & Library, PSE Grants	lighting at the Main Library and Senior Center, respectively, in the total amount of \$53,030.86. Approval was also sought to accept energy conservation grants from Puget Sound Energy to apply towards the successful completion of those projects in the amount of \$27,576. Council concur.
<u>Added Item 6.g.</u> Police: Temporary Custody of Inmates Prior to Transfer to Yakima County Jail, Interlocal Agreement	Police Department recommended approval of an interlocal agreement for the temporary custody of inmates before transfer to the Yakima County Jail. Refer to <u>Public Safety Committee</u> .
	MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.
Return to Special Presentation	MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL RETURN TO THE SCHEDULED SPECIAL PRESENTATION. CARRIED.
SPECIAL PRESENTATION City Clerk: Lobby Information Desk Volunteers Recognition	City Clerk Marilyn Petersen expressed her sincere thanks and appreciation to the ten City Hall lobby information desk volunteers who staff the front desk and provide assistance and information to City Hall visitors and callers. Since the program's establishment in 1984, the volunteers have given over 40,000 hours of excellent service to the City. Ms. Petersen presented certificates of appreciation to volunteers Delores Mead (360 hours served), Florence Morris (648 hours), and Helennane Botham (1,453.5 hours). She gave special recognition to volunteers Bert Nord (3,528 hours of service since 1985), Ann Grinolds (5,644.5 hours since 1985), and Mary Breda (7,336.5 hours since 1984) for their many years of dedicated service, and presented them with plaques and flowers.
OLD BUSINESS <u>Committee of the Whole</u> Budget: 2002 Annual City of Renton	<p>Council President Clawson presented a report regarding adoption of the 2002 City of Renton Budget. The Committee of the Whole recommended that the City Council adopt the 2002 Budget in the total amount of \$148,879,500. The Committee further directed that the following issues be addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The administration will add one full-time animal control officer. • An additional \$26,000 will be added for Human Services funding. • The administration will backfill two police officer positions to fill the positions that are currently out on National Guard duty. <p>The Council further requested an update on the City's financial position in early April, 2002, to determine if additional police officers can be added. In July, 2002, the Executive will present the Council with a mid-year analysis of revenues to determine if other priorities in the Police, Fire, Parks, and Public Works departments can be met. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.</p>
Council: 2002 Legislative Priorities	Council President Clawson presented a report regarding the 2002 legislative priorities. The Committee of the Whole approved the following basic legislative premises: support for flexibility and control by local governments, opposition to unfunded mandates and/or imposition of new or increased fees on municipal services to fund state regulatory activities. Specific priorities for the 2002 legislative session include: Transportation Funding, Economic Development Tools, Municipal Finance, Protection of Water Rights, Endangered Species Act, Liability Reform, LEOFF I, Gambling Activities, the Building for the Arts Program, Affordable Housing and Social and Human Services. MOVED BY

Community Services: City Hall
7th Floor Conferencing Center
Electronics Contract, SPL
Integrated Solutions

CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

The item regarding the electronics contract for the City Hall seventh floor conferencing center, tabled on November 26, 2001, was reintroduced by Council President Clawson.

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE ELECTRONICS CONTRACT WITH SPL INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR THE CITY HALL SEVENTH FLOOR CONFERENCING CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$131,659.67.*

Councilman Parker spoke in favor of the motion and stated that the conferencing center will enhance the efficiency of the City.

*MOTION CARRIED.

Utilities Committee

CAG: 01-043, Boeing Renton
Plant 10" Water Meters
Relocation, Archer
Construction

Utilities Committee Chair Briere presented a report regarding the contract for the Boeing Renton Plant 10-inch Water Meters Relocation project (CAG-01-043) notice of completion. The Committee recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation that the project be accepted, the final pay estimate be approved, and the retainage in the amount of \$8,277.20 be released after 60 days, once all releases are obtained. The Committee further recommended that Council authorize the transfer of \$120,000 of unused funds from other projects to cover additional work and staff time required for this project. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Planning & Development Committee

Development Services:
Development Project Naming

Planning & Development Committee Chair Keolker-Wheeler presented a report regarding the confusion over project names. The Committee met to discuss the confusion caused when projects are either known by multiple names, or when the name is similar to another project. Project names sometimes change over the course of the project, or similar names are selected by applicants for more than one development proposal.

The Committee recommended that the City adopt a policy establishing a process for the naming of development proposals. This process will allow the reservation of a project name for a period of up to one year before submission of an application. In addition, a "Project Name Reservation Form" will be required to be submitted with land use applications. Duplication of names will not be permitted. Development Services Division staff will be responsible for tracking the project names and cross-referencing the names between land use/environmental permits and other permits such as building or construction permits. The applicant will continue to have the ability to change the project name at the time of recording of plats or for marketing purposes. No fee will apply to the process of reserving a project name.*

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler explained that the confusion with the project names often makes it difficult for Development Services Division staff to track the course of a project, and she commended staff for finding a solution that would not be a burden to developers or City staff.

*MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Comprehensive Plan: 2002
Amendment Pre-Application, S

Planning & Development Committee Chair Keolker-Wheeler presented a report regarding the pre-application for 2002 Comprehensive Plan amendment for

Talbot Rd (WSDOT-owned) property owned by Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) located near the intersection of S. Talbot Rd. and S. 43rd St. The Committee met on December 6, 2001, and upon review of this pre-application finds the application to be timely and it meets Criteria #1, *Compliance with the Comprehensive Plan Vision*, and Criteria #2, *The request supports the Business Plan Goals adopted by the City Council*.

The Committee recommended that the application be forwarded to the Planning Commission for review as part of the 2002 Comprehensive Plan amendments upon receipt of a complete formal application. The Committee also recommended that the City agree to proceed with the application review as a City-initiated Comprehensive Plan amendment thereby eliminating the need for submission of a fee for another public agency. **MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Development Services:
Nuisance Lighting Regulations

Planning & Development Committee Chair Keolker-Wheeler presented a report regarding nuisance lighting code provisions. In response to a request by Sean O'Neill that Council consider adoption of nuisance lighting provisions in order to address impacts from sports courts being developed in single-family residential areas. Staff found that his request is similar to a proposed code revision being developed as part of the Title IV reorganization project that is currently going through Planning Commission review and contacted Mr. O'Neill.

On December 6th, the Committee received a staff briefing on the status of this issue, and recommended that the nuisance lighting issue be included in the overall Title IV reorganization project. **MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #3545

Plat: Caledon, Union Ave NE
& NE 28th Ct (FP-01-126)

The following resolution was presented for reading and adoption:

A resolution was read approving the Caledon final plat (aka Long plat); 3.81 acres located in the vicinity of Union Ave. NE and NE 28th Ct. (FP-01-126). **MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.**

The following ordinances were presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 12/17/2001 for second and final reading:

Vacation: SE 2nd Pl between
Lyons Ave SE & Nile Ave SE,
Harbour Homes (VAC-01-001)

An ordinance was read vacating that portion of SE 2nd Pl. between Lyons Ave. SE and Nile Ave. SE, and that portion of Nile Ave. SE 312.94 feet north of SE 2nd Pl. (Petitioner, Harbour Homes by Geonerco, Inc.; VAC-01-001). **MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THIS ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/17/2001. CARRIED.**

Budget: 2002 Annual City of
Renton

An ordinance was read adopting the City of Renton annual budget for the year 2002 in the total amount of \$148,879,500. **MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THIS ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/17/2001. CARRIED.**

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and advanced for second and final reading:

Utility: Sewer Rate, Pass-through Metro Increase

An ordinance was read amending subsection 8-5-15.D of Chapter 5, Sewers, of Title VIII (Health and Sanitation) of City Code relating to 2002 utility rates for all customer classes. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL ADVANCE THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4928

Utility: Sewer Rate, Pass-through Metro Increase

Following second and final reading of the above ordinance, it was MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for second and final reading and adoption:

Ordinance #4929

Finance: 2002 Property Tax Levy

An ordinance was read establishing the property tax levy for the year 2002 to be the lesser of the amount generated by a rate of \$3.27 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, or \$18,158,514 for both general purposes and for voter approved bond issues. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4930

Finance: 2002 Property Tax Levy Limit Factor (106%)

An ordinance was read authorizing a one hundred six percent (106%) property tax levy limit factor for 2002 to protect the City's future property tax levy capacity. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: SIX AYES: CLAWSON, NELSON, CORMAN, PARKER, BRIERE, KEOLKER-WHEELER; ONE NAY: PERSSON. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4931

Finance: 2002 Property Tax Collections (Not to Exceed 4.9%)

An ordinance was read authorizing an increase not to exceed 4.9 percent in the regular property tax collections for the year 2002. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4932

Finance: 2002 Solid Waste Rates

An ordinance was read adding to and amending Sections 8-1-9.A, 8-1-9.B and 8-1-9.C of Chapter 1, Garbage, and Section 8-4-31.C.1 of Chapter 4, Water, of Title VIII (Health & Sanitation) of City Code related to year 2002 utility rates for all customer classes. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4933

Finance: 2002 Senior Center Facility Rental Fees

An ordinance was read increasing the 2002 Senior Center facility rental fees. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4934

Finance: 2002 Community Center Rates

An ordinance was read increasing the 2002 recreation fitness area rental and Community Center rates. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4935

Finance: 2002 Maplewood Golf Course Fees

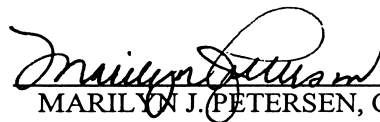
An ordinance was read increasing certain 2002 golf course fees. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Council: 2002 Council

Council President Clawson opened the nominations for 2002 Council President.

- President Election (Nelson) MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ELECT COUNCILWOMAN NELSON AS COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR 2002. CARRIED.
- Council: 2002 Council
President Pro Tem (Keolker-Wheeler) MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ELECT COUNCILWOMAN KEOLKER-WHEELER AS COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM FOR 2002. CARRIED.
- Finance: 2002 Property Tax Collections (Not to Exceed 4.9%) Commenting on the ordinance adopted tonight authorizing an increase not to exceed 4.9% in regular property tax collections, Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler pointed out that the property levy rate of \$3.27 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation is not being increased.
- Transportation: Mill Ave S Bus Lane Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler asked if the bus lane located on Mill Ave. S. is going to be reopened to traffic now that the Renton Transit Center has been completed. Mayor Tanner commented that the bus lane was located there as a temporary measure and he requested investigation of the matter by Transportation staff.
- Community Services: West Nile Virus Information Request (Inez Petersen) Referring to an inquiry by Inez Petersen regarding the West Nile virus, Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler requested that the administration forward a copy of the City staff report on the issue to Ms. Petersen.
- Transportation: Post Office (NE 4th St) Access Problems Councilwoman Briere expressed her appreciation for the installation of the turn lane adjustments on NE 4th St. in front of the Highlands Post Office.
- Transportation: Service Club Signs at City Entrance (Policy) MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL REFER THE MATTER OF CREATING A POLICY REGARDING THE POSTING OF SERVICE CLUB SIGNS AT THE CITY ENTRANCES TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE. CARRIED.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION** MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR 38 MINUTES TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL LITIGATION. Time: 8:19 p.m.
- The meeting was reconvened at 8:47 p.m.; roll was called; all Councilmembers present.
- ADJOURNMENT** MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:47 p.m.



MARILYN J. PETERSEN, CMC, City Clerk